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SUBJECT: THAILAND EMBASSY/STATE DEPARTMENT HUMAN RIGHTS

VETTING FOR: JUSMAG, JCET BALANCE TORCH 09-2, FROM APRIL 20 TO MAY

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REF: A. JUSMAG MEMO DATED JANUARY 07, 2009

**1**B. 05 STATE 021314 - GUIDANCE

¶C. 03 STATE 34981 - GUIDANCE

- 11. (U) This is an action request for human rights verification required by the Leahy Amendment; see Para. 2.
- 12. (U) JUSMAG Bangkok has requested that the Embassy/State Department complete human rights vetting request for Commanders and Units listed below, which have been selected to participate in the above-mentioned exercise. Embassy Bangkok possesses no credible information at this time of gross violations of human rights by these units and individuals. Embassy Bangkok Political Officer, Melissa G. Carlson, is the verifying officer for the Embassy/Department of State.

JUSMAG Bangkok, JCET Balance Torch 09-2, Lop Buri, Chiang Mai, Mae Rim and Mae Hong Son, from 20 April to 30 May 2009.

Commanders and Units:

Name: Sadet Arkajag

DPOB: 14 August 1969; Korat, Thailand

Title/Rank: Commander, Lieutenant Colonel

Unit: 3rd Special Forces Regiment, Royal Thai Army Special Warfare

Command.

Name: Uttaporn Paopajak

DPOB: 26 May 1972; Bangkok, Thailand

Title/Rank: Commander, Colonel

Unit: 5th Special Forces Regiment, Royal Thai Army.

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